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Mr. A. PARASURAMA RAO :—" May I know if there is any possibility of getting the information ? "

The hon. Diwan Bahadur M. KRISHNAN NAYAR :—" Certainly it will be possible ; but I do not think that the collection of the information will be justified in view of the time and labour necessary for it."

Mr. A. PARASURAMA RAO :—" Does not the answer to the previous question show whether the Official Receiver's work is heavy or not ?"

The hon. Diwan Bahadur M. KRISHNAN NAYAR :—" I do not think so."

Number of second appeals in the High Court for the last five years.

1291 Q.—Mr. K. UPPI SAHIB : Will the hon. the Law Member be pleased to state—

(*a*) the number of second appeals, criminal and civil appeals, filed in the High Court during the last five years ;

(*b*) the number of second appeals disposed of during the last five years ;

(*c*) the number of second appeals ready for being heard during the last three years ; and

(*d*) if the Government have no information whether they will be pleased to call for the same ?

A.—(*a*) *to* (*d*) A statement [a] is laid on the table.

Mr. S. SATYAMURTI :—" May I know the reasons why there has been a steady decline in the disposal of second appeals for the last six years from 1,782 to 1,193 per year ? "

The hon. Diwan Bahadur M. KRISHNAN NAYAR :—" I am not in a position to answer. I want notice."

Mr. S. SATYAMURTI :—" May I know whether one of the reasons is that considerations other than those of qualifications have begun to enter into the question of appointments to the High Court ? "

The hon. Diwan Bahadur M. KRISHNAN NAYAR :—" No, Sir."

Forests

Lease of certain forest coupes in North Arcot district to Co-operative organizations.

* 1292 Q.—Mr. T. ADINARAYANA CHETTIYAR : Will the hon. the Law Member be pleased to state—

(*a*) whether the Chief Conservator of Forests received a letter from the Registrar of Co-operative Societies recommending that certain forest coupes in North Arcot district be leased to co-operative organizations on reasonable seigniorage rates fixed by Government ;

(*b*) whether it is a fact that Government have issued a Government Order to all Government departments and local bodies to give preference to Co-operative Labour Unions in giving contracts ; and

(*c*) whether Government will be pleased to confer with the Chief Conservator of Forests in the matter and help the Co-operative Labour Unions in the province ?

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[a] Printed as Appendix VIII on page 647 infra.